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**By Facsimile (212) 805-7917**  
Honorable Robert P. Patterson  
United States District Court Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Room 2550  
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**MEMO ENDORSED**

Re: Bennett v. Horne, et al. 07-CV-2823 (RPP)

Dear Judge Patterson:

I am the Assistant Corporation Counsel assigned to represent the defendants in the above-titled action. I write to respectfully request a 30-day enlargement of time to file defendants' answer, from July 10, 2008 to August 11, 2008. Plaintiff consents to this request. I apologize for not submitting this request yesterday; I was delayed due to a personal matter of an emergency nature that arose yesterday.

The parties are actively working to resolve the claims set forth in the complaint, and met yesterday to discuss a first draft of a stipulation of settlement and discontinuance. The parties have continued to work toward resolution of all the institutional claims set forth in the complaint. Additionally, the parties are discussing resolution of the individual damages claims set forth in the complaint.

Thank you for considering this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Application Granted  
on order of  
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